Prayers for Today



The Diocesan Prayer

Living God, Jesus calls his followers to seek first your Kingdom.

Renew us as we make your love known; **Release** us to share freely together in mission; and

Rejuvenate us to be fruitful in your service.

Give us courage, wisdom and Compassion, that strengthened with the grace of the Holy Spirit, we may, as the Diocese of Sheffield, both flourish and grow through Christ our Lord.

Amen

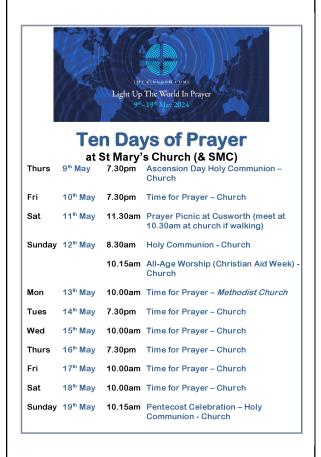
Collect for Sunday 28th April

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Post Communion Collect

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen

Notices



Who's Who in brief: Rector:

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NEWSLETTER

St Mary's Church

28th April 2024



Worshipping God—Welcoming All

Today's Service

Thought for the day:



Today's Readings

Acts 8.26-40 **Pew Bible Page 117** (The New Testament)

Gospel John 15.1-8 **Pew Bible Page 102** (The New Testament)

Next week's readings will be: Acts 10.44-48 & John 17.6-19

Notices



Thy Kingdom Come Season -Saturday 11th May - Deanery Prayer Pilgrimage - See flyers at the back of the Church for full Details - Walk, Prayer & Picnic at

Cusworth Hall Park.

See back of newsletter for Thy Kingdom **Come - Ten Days of Prayers**

TODAY - join us for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held in the Church Hall at midday. This year there are 8 PCC Trustees spaces to be filled and 2 Church Wardens. Are you being called?



Church Explorers Week - 25th May-Explore 2nd June. The Diocese are promoting an event to encourage people to visit our churches across

the diocese. The proposal is to provide refreshments at St Mary's on Saturday 1st June - 10am-3pm. Can you help? Looking for volunteers to cover on the day and bake some goodies. Sign up sheet at back of Church.

Foodbank - need is greater than ever. They urgently need:



Tinned fish Tinned vegetables UHT Juice or dilute squash

UHT milk

Rice pudding

Tinned tomatoes

Tinned fruit

Biscuits

Coffee (small jars)

Hot Chocolate

Donations need to be in date. Thank you.

What's On



The Stable—Every Tuesday 9.45-11.30am Coffee, cake & chat, it will be nice to see you. Monies raised for the Stable Renovation Fund.

Forget Me Not Café -

First Tuesday of the month in the Church Hall - 1.30-3.30pm





Jigsaw Library Second Thursday of the month. An opportunity to borrow a jigsaw and have a coffee with friends in The Stable 1.00pm-3.00pm

Craft-antics - 10am-4.00pm The Stable Third Friday of the month, just bring a packed lunch, or drop in when you want. A craft & chat





Mothers' Union 7.30-9.30pm Meetings Third Monday of each month in The Stable. If you would like more details or to join, please speak to Helen Harwood

Singing Group - Back in Church check with Karen for details.





Informal meeting of our male parishioners in the Ivanhoe at 7.30 pm Third Monday of each month.

Starting Rite - Sept 2024 - 4 week course that is for babies under 1 yr old. See poster/leaflets for full details.





The Ecumenical Bible Study Group -Fortnightly study of 2.00-3.30pm -Copley House, Park Drive - speak to Betty if you would like more information.